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**PATENT**  
Atty. Docket No. 37942-1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

DAVID BECKHARDT

Serial No.: 10/706,214

Filed: NOVEMBER 12, 2003

For: DEVICES AND METHODS FOR  
EXTRACTION, TRANSPORTATION  
AND/OR RELEASE OF MATERIAL

Group Art Unit: 3672

Examiner: Daniel P. Stephenson

Conf. No.: 6322

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application and the following:

- No additional claim fee is required.
- Additional fees are required as calculated and shown below:

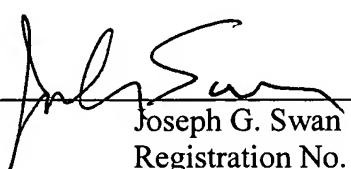
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Small Entity Rate	Small Entity Fee	Large Entity Rate	Large Entity Fee
<b>Total</b>	25 minus	47		x \$25.00		x \$50.00	
<b>Independent</b>	6 minus	4		x \$100.00		x \$200.00	
<b>1st Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim</b>				x \$180.00		x \$360.00	
				<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>TOTAL:</b>	

- A Petition for [ ] One; [ ] Two; [ ] Three Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee is being filed concurrently herewith.
- Other attachments: Duplicate copy of previously submitted Forms PTO/SB08A and PTO/SB08B; copy of postcard dated January 12, 2004 by OIPE indicating 29 cited references received; replacement copies of two IDS references; article titled "The History of Oil Exploration in Iowa"; and pages from "Utah Oil and Gas" website.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3735. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

The following remarks respond to the Office Action dated April 13, 2005.